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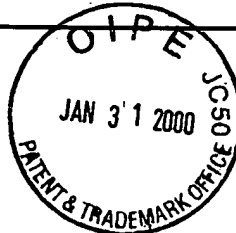
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Other Information

A. Patents

1. U.S. Patent 3,183,552, issued May 18, 1965 to *Farkas*, entitled "Plastic Molding Apparatus";
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4. U.S. Patent 4,139,517, issued February 13, 1979 to *Zaganiacz*, entitled "Transparent Pigmented Polycarbonate Container";
5. U.S. Patent 4,225,304, issued September 30, 1980 to *Valyi*, entitled "Apparatus for the Preparation of Hollow Plastic Articles";
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7. U.S. Patent 4,234,302, issued November 18, 1980 to *Valyi*, entitled "Apparatus for the Preparation of Hollow Plastic Articles";
8. U.S. Patent 4,308,086, issued December 29, 1981 to *Valyi*, entitled "Apparatus for the Preparation of Hollow Plastic Articles With a Base Cup";
9. U.S. Patent 4,540,543, issued September 10, 1985 to *Thomas et al.*, entitled "Injection Blow Molding Process and Apparatus";
10. U.S. Patent 5,427,269, issued June 27, 1995 to *Willbrandt*, entitled "Large Drink Container to Fit Vehicle Cup Holder";
11. U.S. Patent 5,433,337, issued July 18, 1995 to *Willbrandt*, entitled "Large Drink Container to Fit Vehicle Cup Holders";
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"Thermoplastics Moulding Method and Apparatus";

B. Article

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